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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

UNDER 35 U.S.C.121

Sir:

In response to an election/restriction requirement mailed December 15, 2004. Applicants hereby amend claims 1-12 to overcome the election/restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121. In addition, new claims 26 to 31 have been added. If, after reviewing the amended claims and the following response, the Examiner chooses to maintain the election/restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121, then the Applicants provisionally elect Group I (i.e. claims 1 - 12) with traverse.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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## CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1)		(Column 2)	SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))				\$			\$
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 *	*	X \$		OR	X \$	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(u))	minus 3 *	*	X \$		OR	X \$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$		OR	+ \$	
* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2			TOTAL		OR	TOTAL	

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	31	Minus	25	X \$25		OR	X \$50	300
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(u))	3	Minus	3	X \$100		OR	X \$200	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$		OR	+ \$	
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

(Column 1)		(Column 2)	(Column 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus		X \$		OR	X \$	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(u))		Minus		X \$		OR	X \$	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$		OR	+ \$	
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

(Column 1)		(Column 2)	(Column 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus		X \$		OR	X \$	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(u))		Minus		X \$		OR	X \$	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$		OR	+ \$	
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

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